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Inventor: **Takuya, SAKUMA**For: **BUSINESS SUPPORTING SYSTEM AND BUSINESS SUPPORTING METHOD**

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16 sheet(s) of drawing(s).

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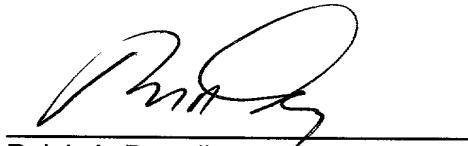
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